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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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- The examiner has substituted the drawings filed on April 20, 2001, with the formal drawings attached herewith.
Authorization for this examiner's substitution was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Mike Smith (Reg. No.: 39,563) on July 19, 2001.
- In the specification, page 17, between lines 27 and 28, the following sentence has been inserted: -- Appendix A shows various application of the present invention --.
Authorization for this examiner's insertion was also given in a telephone interview with Mr. Mike Smith (Reg. No.: 39,563) on July 19, 2001.
- The changes to the drawings have been approved by the examiner and agreed upon by applicant.
- The examiner's comment relating to the correction of the formal drawings are that:
 - The label "Fig. 3" on page 3/3 of the drawings has been changed to --Appendix A--. With this change, only two pages of drawings remain. Appendix A is an appendix rather than a figure of the drawings; and
 - The change has been made because in the specification: (I) the "Brief Description of the Drawings" section does not recite anything about figure 3; and (II) the "Detailed Description of the Invention" section does not describe any of such figure 3.
- Any inquiry concerning this communication from the examiner should be directed to Ly V. Hua whose telephone number is (703) 305-9684.

L. Hua
July 19, 2001


LY V. HUA
PRIMARY EXAMINER

Attachment for PTO-948 (Rev. 03/01, or earlier)
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The below text replaces the pre-printed text under the heading, "Information on How to Effect Drawing Changes," on the back of the PTO-948 (Rev. 03/01, or earlier) form.

INFORMATION ON HOW TO EFFECT DRAWING CHANGES

1. Correction of Informalities -- 37 CFR 1.85

New corrected drawings must be filed with the changes incorporated therein. Identifying indicia, if provided, should include the title of the invention, inventor's name, and application number, or docket number (if any) if an application number has not been assigned to the application. If this information is provided, it must be placed on the front of each sheet and centered within the top margin. If corrected drawings are required in a Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37), the new drawings **MUST** be filed within the **THREE MONTH** shortened statutory period set for reply in the Notice of Allowability. Extensions of time may NOT be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b) for filing the corrected drawings after the mailing of a Notice of Allowability. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

2. Corrections other than Informalities Noted by Draftsperson on form PTO-948.

All changes to the drawings, other than informalities noted by the Draftsperson, **MUST** be made in the same manner as above except that, normally, a highlighted (preferably red ink) sketch of the changes to be incorporated into the new drawings **MUST** be approved by the examiner before the application will be allowed. No changes will be permitted to be made, other than correction of informalities, unless the examiner has approved the proposed changes.

Timing of Corrections

Applicant is required to submit the drawing corrections within the time period set in the attached Office communication. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Failure to take corrective action within the set period will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the application.